



**U.S. Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Prisons**

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February 13, 2019

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Dear Benny Becker:

The Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request. Your request has been assigned a number and forwarded to the processing office noted below. Please make a note of the request number and processing office as you will need to include it in any correspondence or inquiry regarding your request. A copy of the first page of your request is attached to help you more easily keep track of your request.

FOIA/PA Request Number: 2019-02197  
Processing Office: CO

The time needed to complete our processing of your request depends on the complexity of our records search and the volume and complexity of any records located. Each request is assigned to one of three tracks: simple, complex, or expedited. Due to the large number of FOIA/PA requests received by BOP and the limited resources available to process such requests, BOP handles each request on a first-in, first-out basis in relation to other requests in the same track. Your request was assigned to the complex track and placed in chronological order based on the date of receipt.

We determined unusual circumstances exist as the documents responsive to your request must be searched for and collected from a field office, and/or the documents responsive to your request are expected to be voluminous and will require significant time to review. Because of these unusual circumstances, we are extending the time limit to respond to your request for the ten additional days provided by the statute. Processing complex requests may take up to nine months. Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(b) and (c), you may narrow or modify your request in an effort to reduce the processing time.

Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.10, in certain circumstances we are required to charge fees for time spent searching for or duplicating responsive documents. If we anticipate your fees will be in excess of \$25.00 or the amount you have indicated you are willing to pay, we will notify you of the estimated amount. At that time, you will have the option to

reformulate your request to reduce the fees. If you requested a fee waiver, we will make a decision whether to grant your request after we determine whether fees will be assessed for this request.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss reformulation or an alternative time frame for the processing of your request, please feel free to contact the CO at 202-616-7750 or the Federal Bureau of Prisons' (BOP) FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. C. Darnell Stroble at 202-616-7750, 320 First Street NW, Suite 936, Washington DC 20534, or [ogc\\_efoia@bop.gov](mailto:ogc_efoia@bop.gov). You can also check the status of your request on line at <http://www.bop.gov/PublicInfo/execute/foia>.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information, Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,

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S. Lilly, GIS, for  
Ronald Rodgers, Senior Counsel  
Signed by: SARAH LILLY

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**Subject:** Freedom of Information Act Request: midatlantic prison FOIAs

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February 11, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

The database of all FOIA requests received by the BOP's FOIA Service Center since January 1, 2015, relating to any of the following BOP facilities in Kentucky, West Virginia, Maryland, and Virginia:

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Ashland FCI  
Beckley FCI  
Big Sandy USP  
Cumberland FCI  
Gilmer FCI  
Hazelton FCC  
Lee USP  
Lexington FMC  
Manchester FCI  
McCreary USP  
McDowell FCI  
Mid-Atlantic RO  
Morgantown FCI

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions and redactions by reference to specific exemptions in federal law.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Benny Becker

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